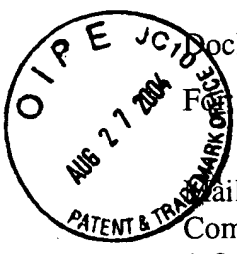


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- [XX] Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b)
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[] The claim fee has been calculated as shown:

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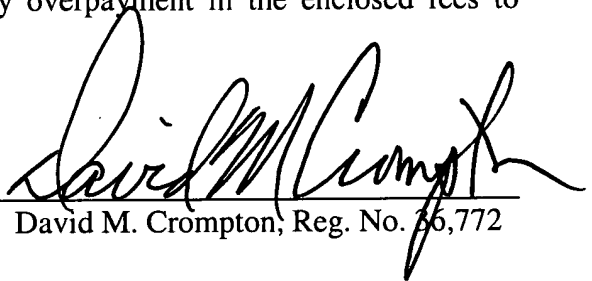
[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established.

[XX] Other: APPEAL BRIEF UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.192 IN TRIPLICATE.

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